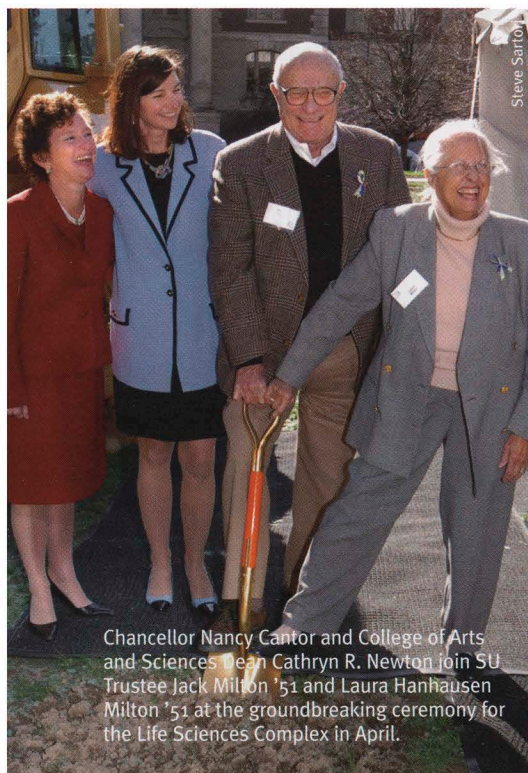


QuadAngles

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Lifelong CONNECTION

Fifty-nine years ago, Jack Milton '51 and Laura Hanhausen Milton '51 met during freshman convocation in Hendricks Chapel. The Miltons, who married in July 1950, have never forgotten their special moments on the Hill. Recently, they gave SU a gift of \$6 million to build the atrium of the new Life Sciences Complex—SU's largest and most ambitious academic building project to date. The complex will house research and teaching in biology, chemistry, and biochemistry, and will enhance interdisciplinary collaboration among students and faculty across the subject areas. The atrium will connect the Center for Science and Technology with the new facility and serve as a common



Chancellor Nancy Cantor and College of Arts and Sciences Dean Cathryn R. Newton join SU Trustee Jack Milton '51 and Laura Hanhausen Milton '51 at the groundbreaking ceremony for the Life Sciences Complex in April.

area. "The area is being designed as a social space that unites these buildings and creates a bold, new front door to both biology and chemistry," says Miltos Catomeris, design principal at Ellenzweig Associates, the project's designer.

The Miltons are longtime supporters of the University. Jack Milton, who graduated from the School of Business Administration, serves on the Board of Trustees and the Whitman School's Corporate Advisory Council. Laura Milton, who holds a bachelor's degree

in French, is a member of the College of Arts and Sciences' Board of Visitors. Their daughter, Stacey Louise Milton Leal '75, is a graduate of the College of Visual and Performing Arts. In addition to involvement with SU leadership organizations, the Miltons have supported the Laura Hanhausen Milton Freshman Lecture Endowment and the Milton Room in the new Whitman School building.

Asked why they have remained so closely connected with SU, Jack Milton, the founder and chairman of Milton CAT Inc., cites the impact the University made on his ability to succeed in business and in life. "We want to recognize what the University gave us in an education that allowed us to progress to where we are and to have the ability to make contributions to it," he says. "And, of course, we met and married at Syracuse, so it has a special meaning to us." Laura agrees. "It has given us a great sense of the value of an education," she says. "I think it was a gift to both of us to meet at SU."



Commencement 2006

Members of the Class of 2006 share a laugh at SU's 152nd Commencement in the Carrier Dome on May 14. Entertainer Billy Joel gave the Commencement address and, much to the delight of the audience, sang a song he'd written for the occasion. Joel was awarded an honorary doctoral degree, along with basketball great, businessman, and philanthropist Dave Bing '66; architect Peter David Eisenman; the Honorable Carolyn Dineen King, chief judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; and Risa Lavizzo-Mourey, president and CEO of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. U.S. Senator Joseph Biden G'68 of Delaware delivered the College of Law Commencement address on May 21.

Information LEADER

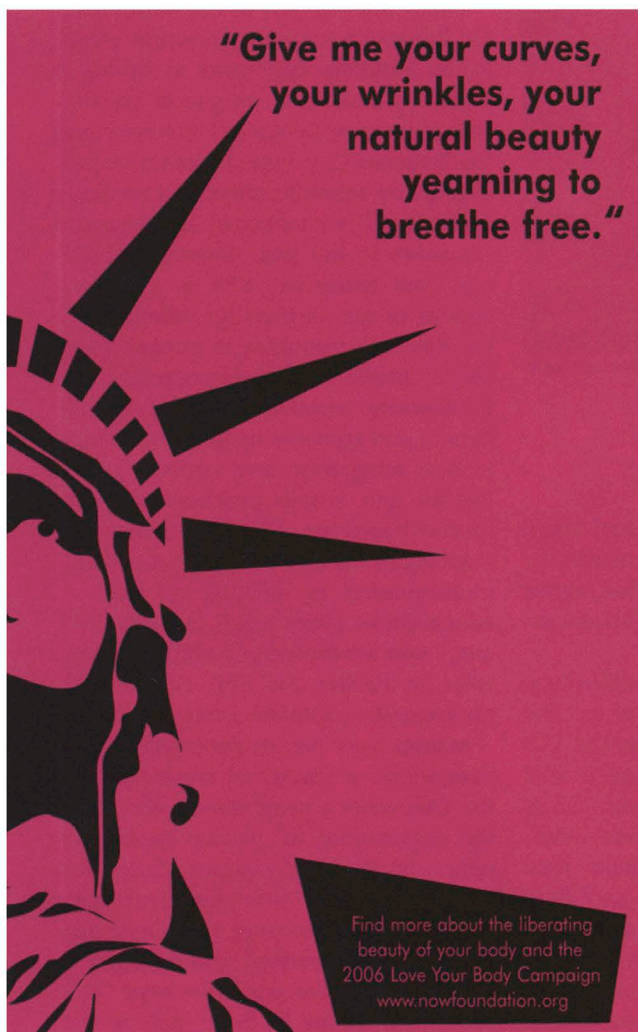
The School of Information Studies collected the nation's top ranking for its graduate program in information systems, and was ranked third overall among schools of library and information studies, according to *U.S. News & World Report's* 2007 edition of America's Best Graduate Schools, released in March. Among the school's other graduate programs, the digital librarianship program ranked second, the school library media program ranked fourth, and the health librarianship program ranked eighth. "What we've been targeting is to move up in information systems, which is our forte and our strength, so this number-one ranking is such an honor for the faculty and the students who have really made it first in the country," says School of Information Studies Dean Raymond F. von Dran. "When you look at the *U.S. News* rankings overall in all the different areas, you can see why nationally we are regarded as having a leadership position. We have provided information studies schools with the Syracuse model."

Among the 2007 rankings of schools of library and information studies, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign tied with the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill for first, and SU, the University of Washington, and the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor rounded out the top five.

Diplomatic JOURNALISM

The S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications and the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs hosted 16 international journalists in April as part of the U.S. Department of State's inaugural Edward R. Murrow Journalism Program. When the program was announced last December, Bill Smullen G'74, director of National Security Studies at Maxwell and a Newhouse faculty member, expressed interest in SU being one of seven American universities that would host 129 European and Middle Eastern journalists during a three-week visit to the United States. He was pleased with the success of the journalists' eight days at SU. "The free flow of ideas that occurred cannot help but be good for relationship-building purposes at the international level," says Smullen, who served as chief of staff for former Secretary of State Colin Powell. "I am proud that the University played a role in this diplomatic initiative."

While at SU, the journalists took part in classes at Newhouse and Maxwell, toured the campus with community residents, and participated in social outings, including an SU lacrosse game. During the farewell forum at Maxwell, the journalists conveyed how they strive for the same ideals as American journalists. Mohamed Ali Al Balushi, head of local and economy news at the Arabic newspaper *Al Shabiba* in Oman, summed up the universal ideals. "As news media, we have to be honest and fair," he says.



Grand DESIGN

A poster design that began as a Newhouse class assignment for Maria DeFazio '07 became the grand-prize winner of the 2006 Love Your Body Campaign, a national contest sponsored by the National Organization for Women (NOW) Foundation.

DeFazio's winning design (pictured at left)—which also netted top honors in the all-university level category—encourages women to love themselves while living in a society that is bombarded with negative media messages toward women. According to NOW vice president Latifa Lyles, DeFazio's words on the poster "ring true across the board. We are all yearning to breathe."

As the grand-prize winner, DeFazio received a \$1,000 cash prize, and her poster will be used as part of NOW's nationwide campaign and featured on the organization's web site (<http://loveyourbody.nowfoundation.org/posters/winners.html>). "I'm still in shock that I won," says DeFazio, a dual major in English and graphic arts. "It's amazing to know that my design will be seen by people all over the country."

News MAKERS

Electrical engineering and computer science professor **Biao Chen** and physics professor **Britton Plourde** received prestigious Faculty Early Career Development Program awards from the National Science Foundation.

Patricia Cox Miller, the W. Earl Ledden Professor of Religion, and English professor **George Saunders G'88** were named 2006 Guggenheim Fellows by the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. During her fellowship year, Miller plans to work on a book provisionally titled *Signifying the Holy: The Corporeal Imagination in Late Antiquity*. Saunders, widely recognized for his satirical short stories, plans to continue working on several writing projects.

The **College of Law Outlaw Moot Court Team** won the Second Annual National Sexual Orientation Law Moot Court Competition last semester at the UCLA School of Law. The three-member team included **Kristen Mikolaitis G'07**, **Joshua Boudreaux G'07**, and **Olatkunbo Olaniyan G'08**.

Psychology professor **Paul Verhaeghen's** novel *Omega Minor* won the Flemish government's triennial literary award *Cultuarprijs voor Proza* 2005. The novel, originally published in Dutch, is a story about human nature, the rise of fascism, and the horrors of war.

Tess Kohanski '09, a member of the SU women's rugby club team, was one of 28 players selected for the USA Rugby Under 19 Women's National Team. She was scheduled to travel to the Olympic Training Center in Colorado and compete against Canada's national team.

Jozef Zwislocki, Distinguished Professor Emeritus at the L.C. Smith College of Engineering and Computer Science, was honored as a "Legend of Auditory Science" by the American Academy of Audiology.

Sports agent **David Falk '72** was the featured speaker of the Jreck Subs Distinguished Lecture Series, which was established by Jreck Subs and CEO **Christopher Swartz '92** in the Sport Management Program, a division of the College of Human Services and Health Professions. The lecture was part of a charity sports auction in April hosted by the Sport Management Club to benefit the Boys & Girls Clubs of Syracuse and the club.